

## UTAH PRISON IN GOOD CONDITION

State Penal Institution Ranks With the Best in the Country.

WARDEN PRATT RETURNS SULLIVAN AND MAJORS ON BREAD AND WATER.

After an interchange of ideas and statements of conditions among several hundred delegates to the annual congress of the American Prison association, recently held in Richmond, Va., it is with considerable, though modest, pride that Warden Arthur Pratt is able to say that Utah may boast of one of the model penal institutions of the entire country. This compliment is due to the Utah state prison in all its phases of care of the inmates, discipline, sanitary conditions and safety.

Warden Pratt, accompanied by Mrs. Pratt, returned Friday from their eastern trip, which included, in addition to attendance at the congress, visits to various prisons throughout the east, including the famous Tombs of New York city.

The congress was in session from Nov. 14 to 15, and the results obtained in the meeting of those interested in prison work are spoken of enthusiastically by Mr. Pratt.

"It was one of the largest gatherings of this nature ever held in the country," Warden Pratt said yesterday when interviewed by a Herald reporter. "There were upwards of fifty superintendents and wardens of state prisons present, and the remainder was made up of government prison officials, prison physicians, officers of reformatories, houses of correction and others interested in prison work and the welfare of the prisoners after their release."

Aside from the general assemblies of the congress held daily, separate meetings were held of the various component associations of the national association, such as the National Wardens' association, of which Warden Pratt is a vice president; the National Chaplains' association; the Prison Physicians' association; and the Association of Governing Boards of Penal, Reformatory and Prison Institutions.

With regard to these meetings Mr. Pratt said:

"While the entire program was one of interest, naturally that which appealed to me most was the session of the wardens' association. These meetings were in the nature of executive sessions, only wardens and superintendents of prisons being permitted to be present. During these meetings various papers were read and general discussion and interchange of ideas held. These discussions covered a wide range of topics dealing with the various phases of the prison, such as the disciplining of prisoners, disciplining of the guards, care of the prisoners, the clothing, food, sanitary conditions of the prison, methods of prison management, the question of cells, locks, etc."

Cases of Sullivan and Majors.

"At these meetings one would ask suggestions from and the experience of the other wardens in certain instances. For instance, in the question of handling unruly and insubordinate prisoners, I brought up the cases of Sullivan and Majors. I explained the crimes which they had committed and their behavior under confinement, and without suggesting what measures I had taken to keep them in control asked those present for their individual opinions, as to the best manner of controlling these men. I am pleased to say that in every instance the course which I have adopted was suggested, that is, solitary confinement for the men."

"Abhorrent as it may seem to some, yet solitary confinement has been found to be the most effective and humane method of correction for insubordinate prisoners. Just before the close of the congress a prison chaplain made of the harshest protest at the general meeting against the system of solitary confinement and handcuffing of prisoners who had become mutinous or violated the rules of the institution. He urged that a resolution be adopted by the congress to the legislative abolishment of such a system, and cited a case in support of his argument where a man had been placed in solitary confinement following an attempted jailbreak. When it came to the vote he was the only one favoring the resolution. In the discussion a large number of wardens and others spoke on the subject, and all agreed that solitary confinement was a necessary method of punishment for willful insubordination."

"In this connection it is interesting to note that the old prison regime and methods have passed. It is considered now that the criminal's real punishment lies in his sentence. His term of imprisonment is rather for the purpose of safety, safety for society, and safety for himself, since the principal idea of the prison is one of reformation. The stripes, the lockstep, the thumb-screws of earlier days have been discarded, and as much of the ignominy of prison life as possible removed."

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Utah Prison Leads.

"An interesting fact regarding the health and sanitary conditions in the Utah prison was brought out in the meetings of the Physicians' association. In no part of the country is there a prison freer from disease than our institution. In some of the eastern states the great pest is especially against tuberculosis. In some instances the percentage running as high as from 60 to 70. During the past five years we have had only two cases of tuberculosis, and in neither case was there a death. The majority of the eastern prison hospitals are constantly filled, while with us we rarely have a patient."

"There was an unusual interest manifested in this last congress, and it was successful in every way. The people of Richmond proved themselves royal entertainers and hosts, and we had a most enjoyable as well as instructive time."

"The congress will be held in Seattle next year, and at the suggestion of the government, which was accepted, the 1910 annual meeting will be held in Washington, D. C., in conjunction with the international prison congress."

While in Richmond Warden Pratt visited the state prison there, the state farm thirty miles outside of Richmond, where 500 convicts are employed in agriculture; the state shoe manufactory, where the prisoners turn out 6,300 pairs of shoes daily, and also a number of the convicts where convict labor is employed in roadmaking. This latter feature of the prison work in Virginia was of especial interest to Mr. Pratt, since there is a possibility that the question of employing state prisoners on the roads will be presented to the coming Utah legislature.

Visits Other Prisons.

During his eastern visit Warden Pratt also visited the state prison at Trenton, N. J., the auxiliary prison at Rahway, to which are committed the state prisoners of from 18 to 25 years of age, and the county prison at Newark, N. J. All of these institutions Mr. Pratt found to be in a high state of efficiency.

A half day was spent by Mr. Pratt in an examination of the Tombs prison in New York, which contained on that day 627 inmates, sixty-three of whom were women. After this inspection, however, and an explanation of the methods in vogue there, he was forced to the conviction that Utah is every respect, as regards the housing and care of its prisoners, is far superior to New York.

Mr. Pratt was also permitted to examine the plans for the new 2,500-cell prison house which will take the place of the widely-known "Snake-Sing." This new jail, for the construction of which bids are now being asked, and which it is estimated will take five years to complete, will be the largest prison in the country, but with all its features, will not excel the latest addition to Utah's state prison in point of modernism.

During the congress and in his visits to the various prisons, Warden Pratt took occasion to explain the method of the cell house how the new construction of the Utah prison yards, and it was universally admitted and agreed by government and state prison officials alike that the new building has reached the highest point of perfection thus far obtained, and that when completed it will be almost without equal in the country.

The new cell house is expected to be ready for occupancy by Jan. 1, and it will have for its first occupants Sullivan, Majors, Downing and others, but little less desperate character. The date of the completion of the first tier of cells in the new building is somewhat eagerly looked forward to by the officials of the prison, since a considerable work for the proper care of some of the convicts will be removed.

On Bread and Water.

Since the recently discovered plans to break jail by Sullivan and Majors, they have been kept in solitary confinement, placed on a bread and water diet, and denied all privileges such as smoking and reading. This course of punishment will be continued, at least until the time of their removal to the new cell house. When in there they will be under such close watch of the guards, owing to the construction of the cells, that there will be little to fear from them, with all their cunning ingenuity.

That the discovery of their well-laid plans was a staggering shock to the daring couple is manifested in their present demeanor. Saturday Warden Pratt visited both Sullivan and Majors in his rooms of the prison following his return. Arriving at Majors' cell, he said:

"Well, Majors, what was the matter with your trolley system. It didn't seem to work very well."

With a sheepish grin, all that Majors could reply was, "None."

The same query was put to Sullivan, and the same embarrassed was visible in his features.

**FIRE IN SALOON.**

Overheated Stove Causes Somewhat Disastrous Blaze.

An overheated stove set fire to the building occupied by Guy Cappucco's saloon at 246 Commercial street about 2:30 o'clock Sunday evening, which resulted in damaging the building and contents to the extent of \$1,000. The fire had been smoldering for some time, filling the rooms on the second floor of the building with smoke. It was not until the smoke was seen issuing from the upper windows of the building that the fire was discovered. Only half an hour's work on the part of the fire department was required to extinguish the blaze. The rooms in the second floor were unoccupied. The greatest amount of damage was in the saloon, caused by water dripping through from the upper floor. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

**TOURIST SERVICE.**

Organ Recital Is a Feature of Tabernacle Meeting.

Special services for tourists and visitors were held in the tabernacle yesterday afternoon. Elder Bryant S. Hinckley delivered an address, explaining the doctrines and beliefs of the Latter-day Saints, and meeting with objection that are raised against the Mormon people. J. J. McClellan officiated at the organ and rendered the following program:

"Largo," Handel; "Evening Star," Wagner; "Andante," Gullmunt; "Old Melody," arranged by performer.

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## ELKS MOURN LOSS OF ABSENT BROTHERS IN BEAUTIFUL SERVICE

New Ritualistic Memorial Ceremonies of the Order Are Decidedly Impressive—Stage Setting Is Magnificent.

"The faults of our brothers we write upon the sands; their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."

In a stage setting dramatic in its intensity of feeling, but with the whole atmosphere of the stage dispelled by the solemnity and impressiveness of the occasion, Salt Lake lodge No. 85, B. P. O. E. Sunday night gave tangible expression to this most beautiful sentiment and tenet of their order before a multitude of people that filled the Salt Lake theatre from the orchestra pit to the rear seat of the gallery.

The first Sunday in December of each year is designated by the order as the day on which shall be recalled, in a memorial service, by every lodge of Elks, the memories of departed brothers. Last night the members of the local lodge mourned the loss of thirteen brothers within the past year.

Impressively simple, and with a grandeur of solemnity, the tribute paid last night by the living to the memory of the departed became something but rarely witnessed.

After the orchestral rendition of the "March Celebre," the stage curtain rose on a scene that in itself expressed the memorial.

In a room formed of the draped white, with vainscot panels of purple, the colors of the order, the officers of the lodge sat encircled and partly hidden from view by the shield of palms. The dimmed half-light given by three lamps on the stage heightened the solemnity of the occasion as Exalted Ruler A. J. Davis delivered the ritualistic address.

The most impressive portion of the service was contained, however, in the roll call of the departed brothers. With the theatre in total darkness, Secretary C. S. Ford began the calling of this roll, and as each name was called the mute response of the absent member was given in the lighting of his name on a vacant chair.

After the call of each name, too, James C. Leary delivered an eloquent eulogy and tribute in memory of the deceased brother.

Those whose names were called, and the only answer that of the vacant lighted chairs, were: D. H. Peery, Jr.; C. S. Ford, H. W. Fletcher, William M. Elliott, H. H. Harder, James Hogle, R. F. Moser, J. P. Murphy, J. T. Pitt, L. M. Burdett, L. P. Marx, F. A. Hooker and R. W. Richmond.

During the roll call the eulogistic response, the Orpheus club, concealed behind the draperies, rendered the Pilgrim's Chorus from "Tannhauser," in a manner startling in its effect, and adding enchantment to the ceremony.

Following the ceremonial responses by the officers of the lodge and the singing of the opening ode by those present the vacant chairs of the departed brothers were removed and the stage lighted, setting a scene of magnificent splendor of the hues emblematic of the order and with the Elk in the background.

The invocation was delivered by the lodge chaplain, after which the prayer was begun, the principal feature of which was the annual memorial address, delivered by Rev. Elmer I. Goshen.

He chose for his topic the question

**LOCAL BRIEFS**

THE BRIDGE PARTIES to be given this week by Mrs. George Savage are on today and tomorrow and not on Wednesday as announced.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE BUCKLE, who were married Saturday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, 681 South Fifth East street, have gone to Los Angeles on a wedding trip.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. George H. Raybould will be pained to hear that she is suffering from a severe attack of asthma.

THE NOVEL ACT, "Evolution," originated by Mark and first played at the Orpheus some weeks ago, will be one of the features of the Orpheus bill during New Year's week. The act has been booked through for the season and will open in Salt Lake. The route of the clever young artists will include Denver, Butte and several other cities.

GEORGE MIKLOKIS, a Greek, was caught in a cave-in at the Boston Consolidated mine at Bingham Sunday, and several fractures, wounds and dislocations of limbs resulted. He was brought to the St. Mark's hospital, where, after undergoing an operation, the attendant surgeons pronounced his condition as favorable to recovery.

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of immortality, finding that while it could not be based on any creed or dogma, yet, even as the scientist or philosopher must find in a supposition the basis for his conclusive argument, so the question of immortality could be argued. In the earliest days of recorded history the belief in immortality is found among men. The reverend speaker showed that in the lives of men the full limit of their usefulness, or the consummation of the ideal held by them, had never been realized. Beethoven, Burns, Byron, Keats and others had all been called away before they had reached the height of their inspired talents.

In contrast to these, Rev. Mr. Goshen referred to the bulb planted in the ground, bound about by the gripping power of its confinement, but breaking through, and under the sunshine first ending up, a shoot, then a stalk, and later breaking into the glory and fragrance of the lily. Is man less than the bulb? When he passes from here, is it not but his bursting out into the fragrance of his being and into greater glory?

The speaker expressed the belief that unless there be such a thing as immortality the God we revere must be an immoral being, since he raises a hope only to destroy it.

Rev. Goshen expressed the thought that hate will never save the world, but that love will, and concluded in the words of the love shown by the great Lawrence Barrett to his wayward brother.

In keeping with the motive of the evening the musical program had been carefully arranged. After the "Angelus," rendered by the orchestra, the "King of Love" was given by a quartet composed of Mrs. A. S. Peters, Miss B. M. Johnson, M. J. Brines and H. S. Ensign. Goshen's beautiful solo, "Nazareth," was sung with magnificent effect by Fred E. Smith, and the wonderful inspiration of William Cullen Bryant as revealed in "Thanatopsis" was recited by John F. Meskin.

Other numbers of the program were the solo "These Are They," by Mrs. A. S. Peters; "Calvary," by M. J. Brines; violin solo, "Trauerlied," rendered by G. E. Skelton; quartet, "Savior, When We Meet," by the quartet; and interspersions by the orchestra of "Adagio from Sonata Pathétique," and "The Omnipotence."

The closing ceremonies consisted of the ritualistic queries by Exalted Ruler Davis with responses by the officers of the lodge and the closing ode followed by the benediction.

## INSPECT SCHOOL PLANS

Architect F. S. Allen of Pasadena

Submits Drawings of Proposed Building.

F. S. Allen of Pasadena, Cal., said to be one of the most famous of all western architects who has spent a great deal of study in public school building architecture, was in the city Sunday evening on the way to the east, where he intends to take up a further study of this line of work. Mr. Allen had learned through the newspapers that Salt Lake City was contemplating the building of a new high school building, and asked a meeting with members of the board of education to inspect his plans for such a building.

Mathoniah Thomas, Superintendent D. H. Christensen, and George M. Bridwell, superintendent of the public school buildings, met the architect last evening. His plans for a high school building were beautiful and complete to the smallest detail. The needs of the scientific department of the school were well taken care of in the plans submitted by Mr. Allen. Mr. Allen's extensive study in the planning of school houses has made him familiar with the needs of such a building, and better fitted to design school buildings than architects who have not had so much experience in this line. It is probable that a conference may be called in this city of architects for the purpose of discussing plans for the proposed high school building.

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## WRITES TO GOVERNOR-ELECT

Edward Hatch, Jr., Asks Co-operation of Utah in Sanitary Movement.

Edward Hatch, Jr., chairman of the water pollution committee of the Merchants' association of New York city, has written Governor-elect William Spry in which he set forth the urgent need of legislation to abate the evils of a contaminated water supply.

Mr. Hatch states in his letter to Mr. Spry that 35,000 lives are lost annually by reason of typhoid fever alone, and a money loss, reckoning that from the death roll alone, or more than \$212,000, a year.

Governor-elect Spry is asked and invited to co-operate in a national movement now under way to stop the pollution of rivers, streams and lakes by sewage, and manufacturing refuse.

"Sanitary science," says Mr. Hatch in his letter, "prescribes definite and effective methods of sewage disposal which would stop this fearful mortality, and as a simple business proposition save many millions of dollars annually. All that is needed is the awakening of the public to the huge economic crime of which it is guilty in postponing the adoption of such methods. It is in hope that you and other executives of the country may act as leaders in this movement that I address this appeal to you. Individual states can accomplish much within their own borders, but there should be co-operation between states to assure the proper protection of interstate waters from pollution by sewage and manufacturing waste—which latter has ruined many beautiful streams, exterminating fish and endangering human life."

"Governor Hughes of New York has expressed his interest in the movement for the purification of the waters of the state and has pledged the state authorities to an exhaustive investigation of the subject, and the attorney general of New York has instituted suit, at the instance of the organization I represent against the state of New Jersey to prevent the pollution of the harbor by the discharge of its sewage into untreated sewage. On behalf of my committee and in the interest of the health and general welfare of the country I respectfully request that you give this subject careful consideration in your next message to the legislature."

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"We are having splendid support not only from the western states but from Secretary Root and the members of the cabinet for the Trans-Missouri Dry Farming congress, to be held in Cheyenne, Feb. 24, 25 and 26," said Harry B. Henderson of Cheyenne, last evening. Mr. Henderson is in Salt Lake on business for a few days.

"We are confident that we will have over 1,000 accredited representatives at the congress, and that the congress will be a big factor in the prosperity of the western states. There will be representatives from Australia, Russia, Turkey, Turkmenia, South Africa and other foreign countries and every state west of the Missouri will be represented. Addresses will be delivered by the most prominent men in those states."

"The land commonly thought to be arid is in my opinion one of the most valuable assets of the country, and the people are gradually beginning to find that out. In Wyoming we are raising magnificent crops of dry farming methods and the entire northwest is awakening to the fact that dry farming is the saving of many of the stock raisers. Men who can no longer afford to turn a portion of their land over to dry farming are raising ample feed for their live stock. Eventually the subject of the cultivation of arid land will draw more attention than the questions of irrigation."

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